GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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UNDERGROUND WATER
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ground water bed in and around Hosur industrial town near Bangalore has gone down in recent years due to indiscriminate tapping of ground water through bore wells for industrial use;

(b) if so, whether many units in this industrial hub are facing closure due to non-availability of water;

(c) if so, the steps contemplated by the Central Ground Water Board to augment water supply and recycling of waste water;

(d) whether the Central Ground Water Board has drawnup any contingency plan for industrial areas all over the country facing such problems; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

(SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The Central Ground Water Board do not have any reports showing closure of units due to non-availability of water around Hosur industrial town near Bangalore.

(c) Water being a State subject, action to augment water supplies and recycling of waste water is to be taken by the concerned State Government.

(d) No, Sir. However, the Central Ground Water Board is implementing a Central Sector scheme on `Studies on Artificial Recharge of Ground Water` on pilot basis with a view to assess the efficacy of various recharge structures in some `Over- exploited` and `Dark` blocks of the country.

(e) Does not arise.